



**CCC reconstruction of  
Fort Stevens in 1937-1938**

## Historic Restoration Work Plan

- repair CCC concrete “log” parapet
- replace timber framing and wood plank door of bombproof
- repaint flag pole and illuminate with solar lighting
- add trash receptacles and information signs
- restore commemorative plaques
- repair concrete cannon slabs

The 150th anniversary of the only Civil War battle fought within the nation’s capital, the Battle of Fort Stevens, is approaching in 2014. To prepare, Rock Creek Park is restoring and making improvements to this historic fort. In 1937-38, the Civilian Conservation Corps. (CCC) reconstructed part of the fort’s western parapet. Using concrete, forms were molded to give the appearance of wooden logs recreating what would have historically been a wooden parapet. The concrete treatment was far more sustainable than a wooden parapet, but is now in need of rehabilitation along with other non-historic features of the site. The CCC conducted several projects throughout the parks in Washington, D.C. including building portions of Fort Drive to connect other Civil War Defenses of Washington fort sites in southeast Washington, D.C. From 1933 to 1942, the CCC provided jobs for millions of Americans across the country following the devastating economic crash of the late 1920s.